

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Notice of Allowance Mailed on:
)	05/14/2010
Othmar GERSCHWILER et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: 3725
Application No.: 10/533,590)	
)	Examiner: Mark ROSENBAUM
Filed: May 3, 2005)	
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)	
HUSKING AND)	Confirmation No.: 2290
DEGERMINATING CEREALS)	

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Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance and statement of Reasons for Allowance mailed on May 14, 2010. Without withdrawing allowed claims 11, 15-20, and 22-32 from issue, Applicant submits these comments.

The Examiner made characterizations and assertions about the claims and the related prior art in the statement of Reasons for Allowance. Although Applicant agrees with the Examiner's ultimate conclusions that the claims are patentable because the prior art does not teach or suggest the claimed features set forth in the claims, Applicant does not necessarily agree with each or every characterization and assertion contained in the Examiner's statement.

Furthermore, it is understood that the Examiner's characterizations were for purposes of referring to the prior art, and do not in any way imply that the claims are limited by words not actually present in the claims. Therefore, unless expressly noted otherwise, Applicant declines to subscribe to any statement or characterization contained in the Notice of Allowance and its accompanying Reasons for Allowance.

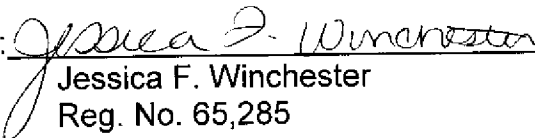
Should the Examiner disagree with the Applicant's comments on the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 408-4167, in order to resolve such disagreement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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